

## FROM CORNELL, ILL.

It becomes my duty once more, as well as a privilege to write a few words for the benefit of our many readers. We as a church people are still alive and hard at it in the service of our Master. Brother Bauman was here again over Sunday and gave us the best he had and that, by the way, was just splendid. The S. S. C. E. members are a set of noble workers in the cause of their Master and ours. This branch of the work is certainly, to say the least a great help to the church. May the God of all peace not forget their sacrifices and their good works, but reward them abundantly for trying to gather in souls for the harvest.

We derive also great strength and comfort and encouragement from each other at our weekly cottage prayer meetings. One more branch of work has been added lately and that is a Y. P. S. C. E. There has been some talk of organizing a K. C. Society here of which I was highly in favor, but the majority voted to have the Y. P. S. C. E. So we organized with brother L. S. Bauman, president; J. J. Vanderree, vice president; sister Alice J. Holmes, secretary; sister Hattie Grant, treasurer; sister Eva Murphy, corresponding secretary. We meet every week. The interest so far has been good. Pray earnestly brethren and sisters, for the prosperity of the church here at Cornell. We need your prayers if any one does.

J. J. VANDERREE, Cor. Sec.  
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## FROM LA PAZ, IND.

I suppose the readers of the EVANGELIST think that our church is dead. There has been no report from this place lately, but I take pleasure in saying that our workers have not died but are more alive in Christ Jesus than they have ever been before. At any rate, I find my own experience to be such. It would be rather hard to die under the sermons of our pastor, Rev. I. N. Miller. He is a man filled with the Holy Spirit, therefore his brothers and sisters receive quite a number of "spiritual blessings."

Brother Miller is noted for preaching "Gospel" alone. We thank God for sending us one of his faithful servants, whose heart is filled with the Holy Spirit, and who can preach "Christ and Him crucified" instead of telling stories and condemning other churches. Without the Holy Spirit we can accomplish nothing. I know there are many members of the church that seem to know nothing of the Holy Spirit, but I pray God that they may receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit before their time comes to change

this world for eternity. Many people seem to think, if they "join church," they are saved. Simply, "belonging to church" will save no one. *Jesus saves! Jesus saves!* I would not have my heart changed again as it was before it was filled with the Holy Spirit for ten thousand worlds. I know it was not until I made an unconditional surrender to God and no longer cared for *my* will but for *His* will, that my heart was changed. Before that day, although I tried to live a Christian life, my affections were placed too much upon earthly things and not enough upon heavenly things. Now Jesus is my all in all. My home is in heaven. So many professing Christians lack in spiritual life. Unless you have the "Spirit of Christ" you are none of his.

We have S. S. in our church. Our superintendent, Rev. Jacob Rothenberger, is very punctual and enthusiastic, also full of "spiritual life," therefore I see no reason why our S. S. shall not be a success. Some of our boys and girls study their lessons well and some do not, but I hope all will study better in the future.

Our K. C. is growing in numbers. The members are also growing in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. We have very interesting meetings and large crowds. Our young people are not afraid to speak for Jesus. *I am not, I am sure.* I stand as a witness for Jesus whenever I have an opportunity to do so, for I want Jesus to stand as a witness for me, when I stand before the judgment bar of God.

Pray for us brothers and sisters that we may always be found faithful workers of Jesus. Your Sister in Christ.

EMMA V. HOUSER, Cor. Sec.

## FROM McALLISTERVILLE, PA.

I am now at McAllisterville, Juniata Co., Pa. Have preached two evenings. Began with a crowded house. Last night it was uncomfortable. To-day the brethren and citizens are enlarging the seating capacity. This beautiful valley is filled with Dunkards. We have a very small membership, but it is well worth our time and attention.

MARY M. STERLING.

GO AND do something for "the least of these." That is how we work for our Christs who have been lifted up. Do their errands; enter into their sacrifice with them; be a link yourself in the divine chain, and feel the joy and life of it. The moment you give yourself, you shall feel that.—A. D. T. Whitney.

I OUGHT to see the stripe that was made on the back of Jesus by each of my sins.—McCheyne.

## Items of Interest.

—The sultan's kitchen at Constantinople contains five tasters. They taste every dish before it is placed before the royal master.

—Text books of American temperance have been translated into the languages of six different foreign countries, and are now used in their schools.

—Joseph Cook is now returning from Japan, and is expected to arrive in San Francisco soon. He is considered to be in a rather serious physical condition, a kind of breakdown. He has abandoned a large part of the tour which he had planned.

—It is said that the six richest men in the world are: Li Hung Chang, \$500,000,000; John D. Rockefeller, \$180,000,000; the Duke of Westminster, \$100,000,000; Colonel North, \$100,000,000; Cornelius Vanderbilt, \$100,000,000; Woh Qua, a tea merchant, \$100,000,000.

—A count has been made by some people and find that not one of the State Governors in the United States is a Roman Catholic. There are no Roman Catholics in the Cabinet, and very few in the Senate; none in the Supreme Court, and there never has been one in the White House.

—There has been a decrease of 3,000 licensed saloons in Philadelphia since the high-license law went into effect. The judges of the courts have exclusive control and direction in granting licenses, and \$1,000 is the price of each license. In the city of Chicago the price of licenses is \$500, and the majority of the saloons are open on Sunday.

—Last year President Elliot's twenty-fifth anniversary was the first occasion in the history of the Harvard College commencements when punches and distilled liquors were forbidden at class suppers. This year the same rule about punches was enforced. It is likely never to be relaxed again. Punches, it is stated, are gone forever from the commencement celebrations.—Ex.

—When every ninth day's wages of the laborers of this country are handed over to the liquor dealers, putting about \$900,000,000 annually into their coffers—or about thirteen dollars for every man, woman, and child—we need not be surprised at the power of millionaire brewers and distillers, and the influence of whisky men and lobbyists over immoral politicians and feeble-minded legislators. To shorten or lengthen their lease of power is with the people.—Nashville Christian Advocate.